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In re application of

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PETITION FOR SUSPENSION OF ACTION FOR CAUSE 37 CFR 1.103(a)

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for a six (6) month examination deferral under 37 CFR 1.103(a) of the above-identified patent application, which was filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b). Applicants understand that, as a result of deferral, any patent term adjustment may be reduced (37 CFR 1.704(c)(1)). No reply by applicants to an Office action is outstanding.

Applicants submit that they meet the requirement for good and sufficient cause for suspension of action because they are in the midst of a protracted process of selling ownership of the application to prospective new owners. The sale process entails a merger transaction, completion of which is expected to take several months. The prospective new owners have expressed a keen desire to participate in the prosecution of the application but currently have no legal basis for participating. The granting of this petition may provide sufficient time for ownership issues to be resolved and for the new owners to assume responsibility for and participate in prosecution of the application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$200.00 petition fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(h) and any additional fees which may be required in connection with filing of these papers, or credit overpayment, to Account No. 19-4455.

Respectfully submitted,

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